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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of Jeffery C. Beman, Alan S. Geller, Ashis K. Roy, and Lawrence A. Koch, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ESTIMATING AVAILABLE PAYLOAD INVENTORY, executed on August 28, 2001.

- ☒ 1. An application consisting of 32 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 13 sheets of drawings is attached.
- ☒ 2. A newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
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